The Brooks County Board of Commissioners met for a 2021 SPLOST Negotiation Meeting on Thursday, July 16, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., in the Auditorium at the Brooks County Ag/Extension Building located at 400 East Courtland Avenue, Quitman, GA. Commissioners present were: Mr. James Maxwell, Chairman; and Ms. Myra Exum. Mr. Patrick Folsom, Mr. Willie Cody; and Mr. Rhett Rowe were not present. Others present were Ms. Jessica McKinney, Administrator, Ms. Patricia Williams, County Clerk; and Mr. Scott Johnson; Excellence Exceeded. Mr. McCain, Mr. Hicks, and Ms. Hester were present representing City of Barwick. Mayor Godwin was present representing City of Morven; Mayor Dennard, City of Quitman; and Mayor of Pavo.

Chairman called meeting to order.

## **2021 SPLOST Negotiation**

Mr. Scott Johnson, Excellence Exceeded presented information regarding distribution percentage for each entity; and amounts in Tier 1, Tier 11; and Tier 111.

The discussion began with a proposed percentage for each entity:

Brooks County	69.95%
Quitman	24.00%
Morven	3.45%
Pavo	1.60%
Barwick	1.00%

Mayor Dennard, City of Quitman, advised that her Council agreed they would accept 27%.

City of Barwick requested an increase to 1.4%.

City of Morven stated the population is listed wrong on the Census Bureau; it should be 722 rather than 536. It was supposed to have been changed by the Bureau; but has not been done.

Pavo was satisfied with their percentage; 1.60%.

After lengthy discussion, and recalculation of percentages, the final results were agreed upon by Morven, Pavo, and Barwick. Mayor Dennard stated she would need to meet with her Council, due to them agreeing to request 27%; and would let Administration know their decision. Mayor Dennard was advised of the timeline we are working with to get the Resolution to the State and Elections in order to be on the November ballot.

The revised percentages for 2021 SPLOST distributions are:

Brooks County	66.35%
Quitman	26.55%
Morven	3.80%
Pavo	1.95%
Barwick	1.35%

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Mr. James Maxwell, Chairman

Ms. Jessica McKinney, Administrator

Ms. Patricia A. Williams, Clerk